

**EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** if you have questions.

**Neighborhood Alert** – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. Call Don Newton at **924-3906** if you have questions. **48-Hour Rule of the EPC:** All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

**In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:**

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the **2nd Thursday of each month**, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at 4 p.m. in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, July 21, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, August 19, 2004 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Hearing Room for the following cases:

**Citywide**

**All neighborhoods; 04EPC-01054, Project # 1001620;** The Planning Department of the City of Albuquerque, requests an EPC recommendation of approval to the City Council for text amendments to the City Zoning Code to restrict community residential programs and liquor sales within 500 feet of each other; Sections 14-16-4-12, 14-16-2-15, 14-16-2-16, 14-16-2-17, 14-16-2-20, 14-16-2-22; Jon Messier at **924-3888**.

**Northeast**

**No association; 04EPC-01015, Project # 1003525 (case #'s);** Approximately 2 acres located east of Juan Tabo NE, between Haines NE and Indian School Road NE; (location of request); J-21 (zone atlas page #); DAC Enterprises at **294-5243**, agent for Mark Dunatchik (applicant or agency and phone #) Requests a Zone Map amendment from P (parking) to C-2; Anna DiMambro at **924-3924**. (city staff planner).

**Onate; 04EPC-01018, Project # 1003527;** Approximately 1 acre located on the south side of Towner NE, east of Chelwood Park NE; H-22; Chaparral Corporation at **296-0411**, agent for Chelwood Christian Reformed Church; Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-1 for Church to R-1; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

**Jade Park; 04EPC-01032, Project # 1001946;** Approximately 11 acres located on the southwest corner of San Pedro NE and Paseo del Norte NE, D-18; Rebecca Baker at **810-235-2555**, agent for Target Corporation; Requests approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit; Makita Hill at **924-3879**.

**Alvarado Park, Classic Uptown, East End Historical & Cultural, Inez, Jerry Cline Park, Quigley Park, Snow Heights, Winrock South, Uptown Progress Team, Zuni, New Kimo; 04EPC-01033, Project # 1000631;** Approximately 32 acres located on the northwest corner of Louisiana NE and Americas Parkway NE; H-18; David Campbell at **884-8444**, agent for Coronado Center; Requests approval of an amendment to a portion of the Site Development Plan for Coronado Center; Deborah Stover at **924-3940**.

**North Domingo Baca, Countrywood Area, Countrywood HOA, Nor Este; 04EPC-01036, 37, 39, & 40, Project # 1003532;** Approximately 8 acres located on the north side of Paseo del Norte NE, west of Wyoming NE; C-19; John Myers at **247-9080**, agent for J & R Realty Associates, Requests A Zone Map amendment from SU-2/ Mixed Use to SU-2/C-1, approval of an amendment to the La Cueva Sector Development Plan, plus approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

**Northwest**

**No association; 04EPC-00993 & 00994, Project # 1002571;** Approximately 2 acres located south of Montano Road NW, east of the Alameda Lateral; F-15; Maurice Ikle at **244-9323**, agent for James Guthrie; Requests Annexation and a Zone Map amendment from M-1 (County) to M-1 (City); Russell Brito at **924-3337**.

**Skies West; 04EPC-01023, Project # 1003529;** Approximately 2 acres located at the southeast corner of Westside NW and Rockcliff NW, A-10; Mark Goodwin at **828-2200**, agent for Vista Arroyo LLC; Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-1 for C-1 to R-1; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

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**Parkway; 04EPC-01026 thru 01028, Project # 1003285;** Approximately 13 acres located northeast of the intersection of 98<sup>th</sup> Street NW and Interstate 40; J-9; Mark Goodwin at **828-2200**, agent for Westland Development; Requests Annexation and Establishment of SU-2 for R-LT zoning plus an amendment to the Westland Sector Development Plan; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

**No association; 04EPC-01035, project # 1003384;** Approximately 3 acres located on the east side of Cottonwood Drive NW, between Old Airport Road NW and Seven Bar Loop NW; B-14; Tierra West at **858-3100**, agent for RSF Land & Cattle; Requests a approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned C-2 Shopping Center; Juanita Vigil at **924-3349**.

**Los Duranes; 04EPC-01038, 01042, Project # 1003238;** Approximately 1 acres located south of Floral NW, east of Montoya NW; H-12; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for Evergreen Development LLC; Requests a Zone Map amendment from RA-2 to R-LT plus approval of an amendment to the Los Duranes Sector Development Plan; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3349**.

**Los Volcanes; 04EPC-00868, Project # 1003481;** Approximately 15 acres located on the east side of 68<sup>th</sup> Street NW, between Hanover NW and Glenrio NW; J-10; John Klee at **379-7511**, agent for D-T Development; Requests a Zone Map amendment from R-2 and C-1 to R-LT; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

**Near North Valley; 04EPC-01041, 43, & 44, Project # 1003533;** Approximately 2 acres located on the north side of Menaul NW, between 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Streets NW; H-14; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for Annette Gallegos; Requests a Zone Map amendment from R-1 to SU-1 for Mixed Use, O-1 Permissive Uses and RT plus approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit; Mary Piscitelli at **924-3891**.

**Ventana Ranch; 04EPC-010450 & 46, Project # 1002250;** Approximately 28 acres located on the southeast corner of Irving NW and Universe NW; B-10; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for Sandia Properties; Requests approval of an amended Site plan for Subdivision Purposes and for Site Development Plan for Building Permit; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

**Southwest**

**No association; 04EPC-01024 & 01025, Project # 1002456;** Approximately 7 acres located on the north side of Dennis Chavez Road SW, between Unser SW and Grace Vigil Road SW; P-9; Mark Goodwin at **828-2200**, agent for Anderson Hills LLC; Requests a Zone Map amendment from SU-1 for C-1 to R-2 plus approval of an amendment to the Rio Bravo Sector Development Plan; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

**No association; 04EPC-01035, Project # 3384;** Approximately 7 acres located south of Dennis Chavez Road SW, between Unser SW and 98<sup>th</sup> Street SW; P-9; Mark Goodwin at **828-2200**, agent for Anderson Hills LLC; Requests a Zone Map amendment from R-LT to SU-1 for C-1 plus approval of an amendment to the Rio Bravo Sector Development Plan; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

**EPC Case Reference Map**  
(\*Not to scale, for reference purposes only\*)



## **Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission**

### **Legal Notice To All Parties Of Interest:**

Notice is hereby given that the Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing at **3:00 p.m.** on Wednesday, **JULY 28, 2004** in the Basement Hearing Room of the Plaza Del Sol building, located at 600 2nd Street NW, to discuss the following:

#### **Requests For Certificates of Appropriateness:**

**(The Order Of The Legal Ad Is Not Necessarily The Order Of The Agenda)**

##### **Project # 1003481**

**04LUCC-00866 Commission Decision for Certificate of Appropriateness;** BILL ZAMORA, agent for JOE MUENALA, request the above action for building exterior remodeling, outdoor benches/chairs, and business and directory signs located at 422A SAN FELIPE STREET NW, on all or a portion of Tract 206, MRGCD Map# 38, zoned H-1, a property in the Old Town Historic Zone. (J-13) Mary Piscitelli, Staff Planner, **924-3891**.

##### **Project # 1003514**

**04LUCC-00991 Commission Decision for Certificate of Appropriateness;** BILL SLAUSON, TRANSIT DEPARTMENT, agent for CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE/TRANSIT DEPARTMENT, request the above action to build Rapid Ride Bus Shelters in the City Right-of-Way located at 2105 CENTRAL AVENUE NW, and at 2060 CENTRAL AVE. SW, both sites located in the Historic Old Town Buffer Zone, zoned C-2 and SU-1 respectively. (J-13) Stephanie Shumsky, Staff Planner, **924-3933**.

##### **Project # 1002055**

**04LUCC-00906 Appeal of a Staff Decision for Reissue of Certificate of Appropriateness;** RUDOLPH L. BACA, APPELLANT, appeals the LUCC Staff Decision for a Certificate of Appropriateness of the property located at 309 RIO GRANDE NW, on all or a portion of Tract 2, Lands of Jose E. Ortega Estate, zoned C-1, within the Old Town Buffer Zone. (J-13) Mary Piscitelli, Staff Planner, **924-3981**.

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Notice is hereby given that the Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing at **3:00 PM** on Wednesday, **AUGUST 11, 2004** in the Basement Hearing Room of the Plaza Del Sol building, located at 600 2nd Street NW, to discuss the following:

#### **Requests For Certificates of Appropriateness:**

**(The Order Of The Legal Ad Is Not Necessarily The Order Of The Agenda)**

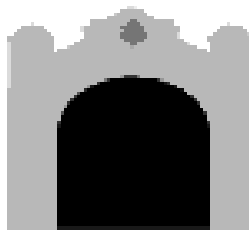
##### **Project #1001185**

**04LUCC-00990 Commission Decision for Certificate of Appropriateness;** Kay Adams and Jerry Smith request the above action for demolition of 3 accessory structures and new construction of garage located at 816 Silver Avenue SE, on all or a portion of Lot 2, Block 3, Huning's Highlands Addition, a contributing property in the Huning's Highlands Historic Overlay Zone, Zoned SU-2/MR. (K-14) Mary Piscitelli, Staff Planner, **924-3891**.

##### **Project #1003511**

**04LUCC-00988 Commission Decision for Certificate of Appropriateness;** WILLIAM S. PERKINS, agent for CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE/MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, requests the above action for approval of the Rehabilitation Master Plan for Roosevelt Park, generally bounded by Coal Avenue on the north, Sycamore Avenue on the east, APS lands on the south, and Cedar Avenue on the west, and more particularly described as Block 36, Terrace Addition, Roosevelt Park and Tract A, APS Central Office Addition, a designated CITY LANDMARK, zoned R-1. (J-13) Stephanie Shumsky, Staff Planner, **924-3933**.

**Individuals with disabilities who need special assistance to participate at this hearing should contact Planning Department, at 924-3883(VOICE) or TTY users may access the voice number via the New Mexico Relay Network by calling 1-800-659-8331.**



# CITY SCOOP

## News From City Departments



### APD Crime Prevention

*Submitted By Steve Sink*

### National Night Out

On **Tuesday, August 3, 2004** neighborhoods throughout Albuquerque are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual National Night Out (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Albuquerque Police Department, APD Crime Prevention Unit and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination, will involve approximately 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world.

If your block or neighborhood wants to participate in this years NNO and join together with other citizens in our community to send a message to criminals that you are fighting back against crime, gangs and drugs, call **768-2200 by Thursday, July 29**. You can also email us at <[ssink@cabq.gov](mailto:ssink@cabq.gov)>. **When you call, please provide your name, address, phone number, neighborhood association (if known) and the exact location of the event, if other than the address listed.** We will compile a list of interested blocks and neighborhoods for elected City officials, Police Area Commands, Crime Prevention personnel, and other City representatives so they can attend as many individual events as possible.

The Albuquerque Police Department will make every attempt to have an officer attend your event. However, due to the large number of expected events, the possibility of a high volume of calls for service, and unplanned emergencies might prevent an officer from arriving. If this should occur, we apologize in

advance, but will continue to support your efforts and appreciate the time and dedication you have shown to make your neighborhood a safe place to live.

National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for you and your neighbors to socialize, renew acquaintances, welcome new neighbors, and to join fellow citizens in our community's fight against crime and our pursuit of a high quality of life. Plan to join us once again for another fun and enjoyable citywide celebration. We look forward to hearing from you by **Thursday, July 29 to register**. If you have any questions about the event, please do not hesitate to call **924-3600** for further information.

### 2004 COUNTY - CITY UNIFICATION

#### July and August Meeting Dates Set

The 2004 Unification Charter Commission continues work, this summer, on the Charter for a combined government and has set three additional community meeting dates. On **Friday, July 23** the UCC will hold a working meeting in the South Valley at the South Area Command Center, 2039 Isleta Blvd. SW from 4 -7 p.m. On **Friday, August 6** the Commission will meet at the Vista Grande Community Center, in the East Mountains from 6 -9 p.m. A final forum on the charter will be held on **Saturday, August 28** at the National Hispanic Cultural Center at 3 p.m. In addition, the UCC meets regularly in the Vincent E. Griego Chambers of the City County Government Center. Agendas, meeting details and drafts of the new charter are available from Sandy Chavez at **768-3147** or on-line at <[www.abcucc.net](http://www.abcucc.net)>.

The UCC has progressed through four articles of the new charter, deciding aspects of the governing structure including the number of representatives (11) and the balance of power between the commission and the mayor. In the

coming weeks the commission will determine whether the chief law enforcement officer will be elected or hired and many other matters related to the structure and transition to a new government.

Results from a cost benefit analysis is being conducted by the Bureau of Business and Economic Research at UNM and will be available in August. Preliminary estimates by the City and County have found that of 194 functions conducted by both governments, 54 are duplicated. From accounting to zoning, both governments conduct the same or similar functions. Of note, as well, is that the County provides services to the unincorporated area, like community centers and parks, using property tax revenue from the entire County. City tax payers pay for County services to the unincorporated area. The cost benefit analysis should shed additional light on taxation and services and will be presented at the August 28 forum.

**Come Together  
Tuesday, August 3, 2004**



**Call 768-2200  
For Details  
Or Visit Our Website At:  
[http://www.cabq.gov/planning/  
pages/neighborhood/  
nightout.html](http://www.cabq.gov/planning/pages/neighborhood/nightout.html)**

## CITY SCOOP continued

### Metro Court

#### Metropolitan Court Continues To Respond To DWI Problem With Addition Of Drug Court Judge

*Submitted by James J. Stoker, Sr.*

*Director Court Intervention Programs Division*

Presiding Criminal and D.W.I./Drug Court Judge Victoria J. Grant, State of New Mexico - Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court, announced that Chief Judge Judith Nakamura will be joining the D.W.I./Drug Court team. Judge Grant reported that adding an additional Judge was necessary to meet the needs of the expanding program.

She reported that with support of the legislature and Governor the program has doubled its' capacity this year to about 350 participants. One component of the program is that participants have ongoing one-on-one interaction with a D.W.I./Drug Court Judge. These are as frequent as every other week in the beginning of the program and occur at special drug court sessions.

In making the announcement, Judge Grant cited Judge Nakamura's commitment to improving the long term outcome of D.W.I. offenders sentenced in the Court. She stated, "That Judge Nakamura is taking on this responsibility in addition to those of Chief Judge and her regular caseload demonstrates her personal commitment."

In addition to interaction with the D.W.I./Drug Court Judge, participants are required to attend intensive counseling, are under the intense supervision of specially trained Probation Officers, perform community service, attend MADD Victims Impact Panels and must submit to frequent random alcohol and other drug monitoring. Those with driver licenses must have an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle. Participants who violate program rules are subject to immediate sanctions including incarceration.

Since its' inception in 1997 the program has graduated over 650 repeat D.W.I. offenders. About 90% of these have remained successful and not been re-arrested for D.W.I. This compares to a reported 40-60% re-arrest rate of similar offenders under traditional sentencing.

Judge Nakamura joins Judge Grant, Judge Cristina Jaramillo and Judge J. Wayne Griego as the judicial leaders of the D.W.I./Drug Court. All Metropolitan Court Judges may refer qualified defendants to the program.

#### About The Court:

The State of New Mexico Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court is the busiest court in the state handling fifty percent of the State's cases. The court has sixteen judges, thirteen criminal and three civil divisions, who preside over misdemeanor, civil cases where the amount in question is \$10,000 or less, and felony first appearances.

#### About Court Intervention Programs:

The Court is a national leader in the D.W.I./Drug Court field and training site for the U.S. Department of Justice through the National Drug Court Institute and Native American Alliance Foundation. In addition to the D.W.I./Drug Court, the Court Intervention Programs Division operates a Mental Health Court, Homeless Court and Domestic Violence Early Intervention and Repeat Offender Programs. The Court recently initiated the first Urban Native American Drug Court not on Tribal land.

#### Court Contact Information:

James J. Stoker, Sr. - Director Court Intervention Programs Division, <jstoker@metrocourt.state.nm.us>, 505-841-8184.



### Albuquerque Fire Department

#### Illegally Discarding Cigarette Butts Is A Crime

Throwing cigarette butts out the window of a car causes brush fires. The Albuquerque Fire Department (AFD) wants to make the community aware of the hazards of illegally discarded cigarette butts.

With the right conditions, the burning embers in a cigarette can easily ignite the brush that grows along our streets and highways. AFD responds to hundreds of brush fires each year. Many of these fires are caused by discarded cigarette butts. On a breezy day a brush fire can easily reach structures in the area.

A brush fire is negligent arson, a fourth degree felony, but it is also littering which is a *crime*. Punishment includes fines, jail time and restitution. Please keep our roadways clean and safe by adhering to the laws.



## Public Works

Wastewater Utilities Division

# Sewer Collapses

We are all familiar with the adage "out of sight out of mind", however some of our most important conveniences that are out of sight, such as the sanitary sewer system, or wastewater collection system deserve our attention. We do not give much thought to the collection system until problems occur.

More than 1,710 miles of sewer lines carry wastewater from customers to the Southside Water Reclamation Plant. Most of the City's collection system piping is vitrified clay, but there is at least 450 miles of concrete piping in the collection system.

Concrete piping is particularly susceptible to damage caused by Hydrogen Sulfide gas. As wastewater is carried by, the collection system hydrogen sulfide is produced from wastes "breaking" down in the absence of oxygen. Hydrogen sulfide gas is biologically converted to sulfuric acid. The sulfuric acid deteriorates the concrete pipe. A cavern is formed, and dirt and debris fall into the pipe, and is carried away. The cavern grows, and when temperatures become warmer particularly in the summer, the heat makes the asphalt collapse.

The Wastewater Utility plans to replace 60% to 70% of the concrete lines within the next 5 to 10 years to help prevent more sewer line collapse. Please keep in mind that pipes made from vitrified clay can also collapse when they crack, but concrete piping is much more susceptible to deterioration and collapses than vitrified clay.

In the next edition of Neighborhood News we will learn how sewer line collapses cause operational problems at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant.

## Solid Waste



### Solid Waste Convenience Centers

Open 7 days a Week

Starting July 1, 2004

For only \$3.30 per load (plus tax), you may take your excess trash/yard waste to any one of the Solid Waste Management Department's Convenience Centers listed below. Commercial waste is \$8.65 (plus tax) per load.

■Eagle Rock (North), 6301 Eagle Rock NE, call **857-8318**

■Montessa Park (South) 3512 Los Picaros Rd. SW; call **873-6607**

■Don Reservoir (West) 114<sup>th</sup> St. SW; call **836-8757**

All above centers will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Above schedule effective July 1, 2004. Tarp your vehicle's load to avoid a clean-up fee of \$5.30 for residential loads.

**Refuse ordinance 9-10-1-10**

## Planning

Submitted by Makita Hill

The City Planning Department has been working on draft proposals for mixed-use zones since last fall. The proposed MU-1 and MU-2 zones aim to facilitate mixed-use development within the City's Activity Centers and Transit Corridors as designated by the Centers and Corridors policies of the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Comprehensive Plan. Examples of Major Activity Centers are Downtown and Uptown, while Nob Hill and Hoffmantown Center are Community-scale Activity Centers. Central Avenue and San Mateo Boulevard are examples of Transit Corridors. The Centers and Corridors policies encourage mixed-use development in these areas to make more efficient use of existing road and utility infrastructure. Residential use, as a component of mixed-use, would encourage residents who live in these areas to walk, bicycle, and use transit in place of some auto trips.

The May 2004 draft MU-1 and MU-2 zones have been posted on the City's web site. Staff has received numerous comments from citizens in Neighborhood Coalition/Association meetings, in various other meetings with citizens representing residential areas and also from the business community. Based on public input to date, the following changes are now proposed to the MU-1 and MU-2 zones:

1. Apply (map) the MU-1 zone only through an Overlay Zone, a Rank 2 or a Rank 3 Plan/process
2. Lower the maximum building height in the MU-1 zone to 45 feet (from 55 feet as previously proposed).
3. Establish a maximum residential density of 72 dwelling units per acre for the MU-1 zone.
4. Allow the MU-2 zone only in Major Activity Centers (scale examples are Downtown and Uptown).
5. Allow for a market-dictated residential density for the MU-2 zone (density would be determined by unit sizes).
6. From both zones, delete the 36 dwelling unit per acre requirement for 2-story development.

Staff is also proposing language changes to Section J, Review, for both zones.

There will be a special public meeting for citizens to review and discuss these proposed changes to the MU-1 and MU-2 zones on **Monday, July 26, 2004, 7 – 9 p.m.** in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, basement level, 600 Second Street NW. If you have any questions on these changes or related issues, please contact Makita Hill, Planner, at **924-3879**.



## Emergency Services

### Show Me the Money?

*Submitted by Jim Hunter  
Emergency Manager*

I am often asked, "How are you spending all that Homeland Security money we keep seeing on the news?" The fact of the matter is, the City of Albuquerque has seen very little of the actual money.

We did receive funding for a few Personnel Protective Ensembles, which protects first responders from toxic elements. APD Bomb Squad just received a new robot and some other bomb equipment, which is newer and better than the existing robot. And they have been promised a new containment trailer in the next round of equipment. AFD got a decontamination trailer should we have a need for mass decontamination because of a biological, chemical or radiological event. We are also getting a communications set that allows us connect different radio systems together when we operate with agencies not from Bernalillo County Public Safety agencies, like some of the 20 or so law enforcement or fire agencies in last summer's Bosque Fire.

Those monies also funded a Pre Disaster Mitigation Plan, allowing Bernalillo County and the City to hire a contractor to look at all of our potential hazards and try to plan to reduce the risk. Mitigation Planning is really trying to reduce loss of property or lives before the disaster, and make sure we prioritize those hazards for remedial efforts. It is essential to have that plan, as all Disaster Relief is predicated on the question, "What did you do to limit your losses before you ask the Federal Emergency Management Agency to restore it?" This will become more important to the citizens as you see community input meetings in July, August and September gathering information as to what the citizen's see as hazards and what we can do to mitigate them.

We have also received funding to pay for the Emergency Management Program, which means me and my administrative assistant. In the past this was done a 50/50 split of the costs, but recent federal legislation changed that formula to 75% city/25 Federal, at least as salaries are concern. We receive some \$58K in FY 03,

and \$68K in FY04. FY05 funding has not been announced yet.

The city also received money from the State to rewrite the All Hazards Emergency Operations Plan. That plan is probably 75% completed, and we hope to take to the City Council for approval in August or September. It has involved nearly every City department in planning what they will do in disaster, as well as our partners like the Red Cross, VOAD, and the numerous agencies we have Mutual Aid Agreements with. A very large player has been the entire Metro Medical Response System, with all the area hospitals committed to sharing the work load.

We have applied , but have not been approved, for about \$225,000 in money to support our Critical Infrastructure. Most of that will be for security improvements to our Water Authority facilities, and a little for Emergency Operations Center security upgrades and more support for our Plume Modeling Program, which if very good at predicting where any toxic plume will be based on what is in it and what our air currents are doing. The Environmental Health Department has some 10 air monitoring stations in the city, tied to the Plume Model that can tell us exactly what the weather is doing around the city. For those who have lived here a long time, you probably have heard and know we have "weather by zip code". Albuquerque, because of the mountains, have very different wind and air flows throughout the city.

We have nearly \$1.5M in grants pending to support first responders. That will provide more Hazardous Materials capabilities, improved Heavy Rescue equipment, and equip nearly all of our first responders with Personal Protective Ensembles, according to their presumed disaster duties. It will also add radio and communications equipment to make up for shortfalls caused when we have to surge to lots more people on site.

Prior to 2003 programs, Albuquerque was treated as part of Bernalillo County. But given that the County is over 35% of the state, and the City is 80% of the county, we are now treated separately. This should provide a more fair distribution of both Federal and State dollars into these programs.

We determine our needs, based on federal guidelines, and a working group of Police, Fire, Aviation Police, Open Space Police, Public Works, Information Systems, and Environmental Health staff them jointly approve needs and prioritize funding.

To date, we have received about \$705K of \$2.9M applied for. The state has received some \$53.1M since 1999. The city was not eligible for funding in 1999 or 2000, as we received \$200,000 in Nunn-Lugar-Domenici loans for equipment and training.

## Parks and Recreation



**EXTREME SUMMER FUN:**  
Live Music From Local Artists, Movies in the park at dusk  
Good Food, Fun Summer Activities

**FREE ADMISSIONS**

Teen concert start at noon  
Movie starts at dark (8:37 PM)  
Saturday July 24: Bruce Almighty  
Saturday July 31: Shrek

At Balloon Fiesta Park;  
Take I-25 to Exit 234, Tramway & Roy road, south on western frontage to Balloon Fiesta Parkway. OR I-25 to Exit 233, Alameda Blvd., west to San Mateo Blvd., north to Balloon Fiesta Parkway, west on Balloon Fiesta Parkway.  
(505) 857-8100 for other fun stuff for kids

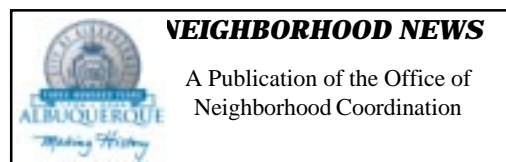
The City of Albuquerque does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, disability, age, gender, Vietnam Era or disabled veteran status, sexual orientation or medical condition in employment or in the provision of services. If you have a disability and will need special assistance to benefit from any of the meetings, hearings, or workshops, etc. appearing in this newsletter, contact the office sponsoring the event two weeks prior to the date of the meeting you plan to attend. Whenever possible, TTY phone numbers will be listed. TTY users may call any phone number listed in this publication via Relay New Mexico at 1-800-659-8331.

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***ONC reserves the right to edit  
and/or reject any submissions.***

**\*\* SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY  
THE 5th OF EACH MONTH \*\***



**PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS**

**Route to:**

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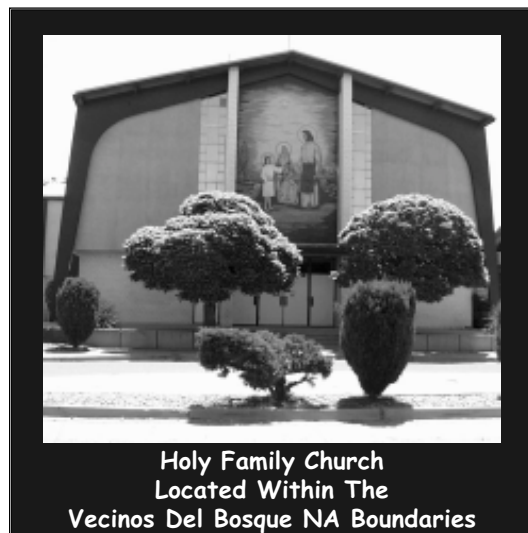
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